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Local agencies awarded grants for art and culture programs

Lansing – Seven local agencies in Alpena were awarded a grant recently by Michigan’s Art and Humanities Touring Program, Sen. Tony Stamas (R-Midland) announced today.

“Arts and humanities are an important part of every community,” Stamas said. “These grants will help our local arts and humanities programs continue their fine work.”

Alpena Community College received \$1,382 for three events, while the Humanities/Arts Outreach NE was awarded \$2,380 and the Thunder Bay Arts Council, Inc. received \$1,190.

The Touring Program awarded a total of \$40,248 to 351 programs statewide. The grants support live presenters such as musicians, storytellers, theater companies, speakers and dancers. The programs are hosted and sponsored by community schools, libraries, museums, festivals, art councils and other non profit organizations.

The Touring Program, funded by the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs, consists of a wide variety of cultural programs ranging from school assembly musical performances to library storytellers.

For more information on applying for a grant, visit the Michigan Humanities Council Web site at www.michiganhumanities.org.

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